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AUTOMOBILE OUTPUT ACCELERATED

AUTOMOBILE PLANT STEPS UP PRODUCTION -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 37,
15 Feb 49

Chelyabinsk -- The Ural Automobile Plant exceeded the January 1949 plan and increased the output of automobiles 60 percent and the output of automobile motors 80 percent over January 1948. The plant assumed the obligation to produce 100 "Uralzis" automobiles and 50 combine motors above the plan in honor of the 11th Komsomol Congress.

MOSCOW AUTOMOBILE PLANT MAKES PLEDGES -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 33,
10 Feb 49

Workers of Moscow Automobile Plant have made the following pledges in honor of the 10th Congress of Trade Unions:

1. To produce 250 trucks above the plan.
2. To put into effect a series of measures during the first quarter which will bring about 5 million rubles of saving out of a total of more than 20 million pledged for 1949.
3. To assure further improvement in production output and further adoption of modern technological processes, including high frequency annealing, high-velocity pellet treating of parts, high speed cutting on multi-blade machines, mechanization of assembly lines, and more efficient organization of work areas.
4. To assure 5 percent increase above the plan in labor productivity.
5. To release 5 million rubles of working capital during the first quarter as per pledges given to Stalin.

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GEORGIAN AUTOMOBILE WORK LAGS --- Zarya Vostoka, No 43, 5 Mar 49

Construction of the Kutaisi Automobile Plant in Georgian SSR is seriously lagging because of poor organization of labor, improper exploitation of machinery, and a large turn-over of labor due to poor living conditions. However, the shops now operating began the year successfully with fulfillment of the January plan by 110.6 percent. Production of parts and motors is supposed to begin in 1949, and output of completed ZIS-150 automobiles is scheduled for 1950.

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